- Establishing an institution of National excellence for imparting Fashion Business Education with International Benchmarking.
- Appointing a nodal agency for standardizing and benchmarking Fashion Business Education in the country.
- Setting up an Apex Body to train the teachers/trainers imparting Fashion Business Education in the country.

Modernization of jute mills

†1015. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are providing/propose to provide special assistance for modernization of jute mills;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government is operating several Schemes like the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), the Jute Entrepreneurs Assistance Scheme (JEAS), JMDC's Incentive Scheme for Modernization of Jute Industry and the External Market Assistance (EMA) Scheme, which are aimed at modernization of jute mills.

(c) Does not arise.

Textile projects

1016. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of the textiles projects being undertaken at present in the country;

(b) the progress made so far on each project; and

(c) the time by when these project are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (c) The activities in textile sector

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

are mainly concentrated in decentralized sectors. The Government is not involved in setting up any projects in the textile sector. The funds in the textile sector are released to various implementing agencies under various schemes, which are also not state specific, on the basis of viability of the proposals received. Some of the important schemes being implemented in textile sector are:—

Sl.-Sector No.	Name of Scheme
1. Handlooms	Handlooms Export Scheme (HES) Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana Marketing Promotion Programme Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme Weavers' Welfare Scheme
2. Handicrafts	Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana Export Promotion Scheme Special Handicrafts Training Programme (SHTP) Bima Yojana for Handicrafts Artisans
3. Sericulture	Catalytic Development Programme
4. Cotton	Technology Mission on Cotton
5. Organised Sector	Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme
6. Export	Schemes for Integrated Textile Park

Development of handicrafts

1017. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the development of handicrafts in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the States which are lagging behind the development of handicrafts and have not fixed targets for the development of handicrafts; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to promote handicrafts in these States?